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Brake Inspectors to check drink-and-drive cases now

A file photo of traffic Police checking motorists in Mysuru city. Soon, Brake Inspectors will join them in drink-and-drive checking operations.

Bengaluru, May 26 (RK,TRR &BCT)- To curb the increasing cases of drink-and-drive road accidents, Brake Inspectors of Regional Transport Office (RTO) will join forces with local Police to tackle drink-and-drive menace.

This will be a part of their routine duties and they are expected to finish the day's office work and team up with the Police during nights and weekends to check drunken driving cases.

Currently, Traffic Police in cities like Bengaluru and Mysuru and law enforcement officers in other districts are responsible for checking drink-and-drive cases and registering offences. From now on, Brake Inspectors will assist the Police in this operation.

Although the Motor Vehicle Act authorises Brake Inspectors to check and register cases of drink-and-drive incidents, they have not been doing so.

(See CASES on page 7)

How much alcohol is permissible?

The drink-and-drive limits are measured through a Blood Alcohol Concentration test. Any person, who in his/her blood has alcohol exceeding 30 mg. per 100 ml. of blood, detected in a test by a breath analyser, is said to be driving under the influence or drunk driving.

Three die in accidents late on Friday night

City Police Commissioner Ramesh Banoth (in blue shirt), DCP (Crime and Traffic) S. Jahnavi and V.V. Puram Traffic Inspector Bhanu at the accident spot yesterday, collecting information.

Mysuru, May 26 (SBD&BCT)- Three people, including a woman, were killed and two others sustained grievous injuries in two separate accidents in the city late on Friday night.

Two youths were killed in an accident in front of GRS Fantasy Park on Ring Road, while a woman died on the road that connects Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway.

(See ACCIDENTS on page 6)

IPL grand finale promises to be an ultimate showdown

Will the Sunrisers rise to the occasion or will the Knight Riders stand tall?

Skippers Shreyas Iyer and Pat Cummins pose with IPL trophy at the iconic Marina beach in Chennai yesterday.

Chennai, May 26 (VNS)- The cricketing fraternity and fans worldwide, especially in Kolkata and Hyderabad, will be glued to their television sets this evening at 7.30 pm to watch the summit clash between Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) and Sunrisers Hyderabad (SRH) in the grand finale of this year's Indian Premier League (IPL) at the historic Chepauk Stadium in Chennai.

The final match, which promises to be a captivating contest, will witness both captains, Shreyas Iyer of KKR and Pat Cummins of SRH, battling for supremacy.

Meanwhile, the move to open with Sunil Narine has proved to be a masterstroke for KKR so far, with the West Indian scoring 482 runs in 13 matches, including a century and three fifties.

The Chepauk Stadium holds a special place for KKR, as it was the venue where the team won its first IPL title in 2012.

(See IPL on page 6)

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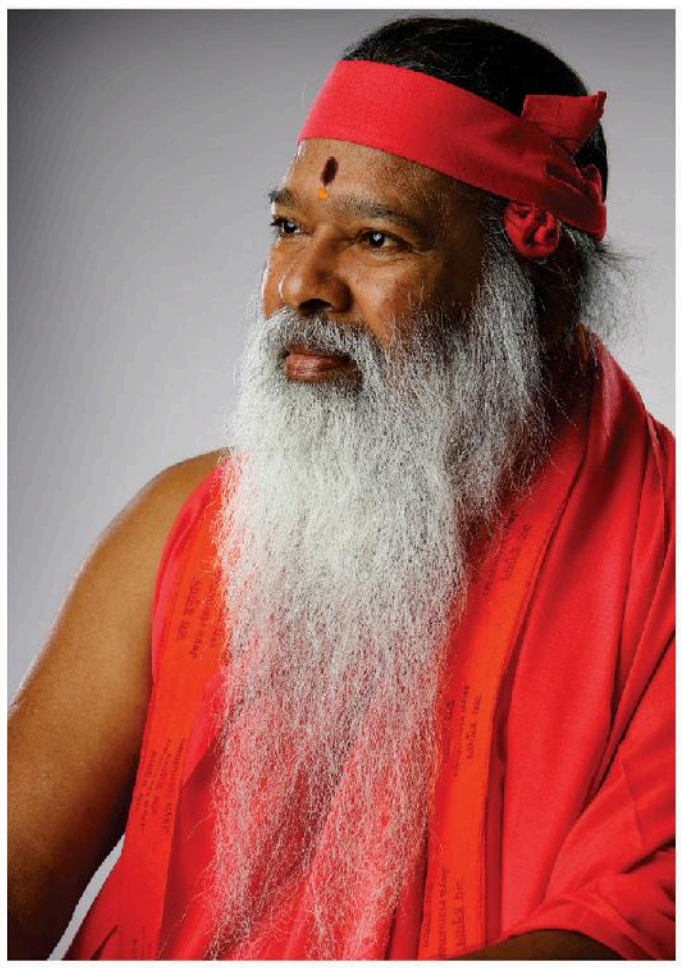

A Spiritual Guru who surrounds his disciples like a subtle fragrance is 82 today.
Wishing many divine returns of the day.
Seeking spiritual master's blessings. — Devotees

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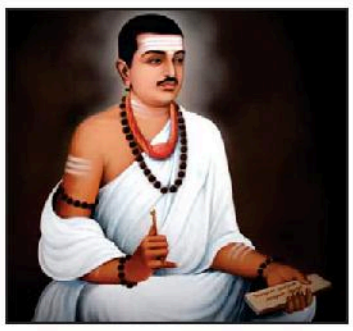
Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Sunday 26th May 2024

Basava Jayanti and Kayaka Shri Awards presentation



Mysuru, May 26 (MTY&VNS)- Akhila Bharata Sharana Sahitya Parishat will be organising Basava Jayanti celebrations, Kayaka Dinacharane and Kayaka Shri Awards ceremony on May 29 at 5 pm at Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Bhavan in JSS Hospital premises, said Parishat's Mysuru City President M.G. Sadanandaiah here on Thursday.

Speaking to media persons at Pathrakartara Bhavan, he said, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji will grace the occasion. Department of Kannada and Culture Director Dr. Dharanidevi Malagatti will inaugurate and deliver a lecture on 'Basavanna mattu Kayaka.'

District Legal Services Authority Member-Secretary and Senior Civil Judge B.G. Dinesh will preside. On the occasion, Kayaka Shri awards will be given to M.B. Mahadevappa and Jayamma. Nada Hamsini Bhajan Troupe will present vachana recital at 4.30 pm.

Parishat Secretary T.S. Kumaraswamy, Kadali Mahila Vedike President Sharada Shivalingaswamy and Secretary Vagdevi were present.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

The sixth chapter of the Bhagavad Gita titled 'Dhyanayoga' speaks in detail about the science of mind control and its role in the life of man and how a controlled mind is an invaluable aid in man's inner personality development.

Though it frequently uses the words Sanyasi and Yogi, it should not be interpreted as applicable only to such evolved persons, but also to every human desirous of shaping his life towards higher achievements in temporal as well as spiritual spheres. This chapter throws light on crucial questions such as what exactly is meant by the word 'mind', how does the mind work, what needs to be done to ensure that the mind is under control and so on. The chapter commences by defining what is 'Karmayoga' and what is 'Karmasanyasa.'

Not doing one's duty with only the final benefits in mind, but as a service to society, as an offering to the divine is called Karmayoga. Not having the sense of doership (I have done this, It is because of me that this happened), without pride and egotism is Karmasanyasa. The Gita says that both are the same, two faces of the same coin.

Practicing Karmayoga first gradually purifies the mind, reducing the tendencies of pride, vanity and egotism, leading to a state of Sanyasa. This in turn further strengthens the mind to practice Karmayoga. In this way, both these approaches complement each other.

The Gita evocatively says "what is called sanyasa is also called Yoga." Here, the Gita makes a very significant statement. "Without giving up your Sankalpa (desires and greed), you cannot achieve Yoga (doing your duty without eyeing the final gains)." The Gita says that the human mind is always immersed in a constant stream of desires. One desire satisfied gives birth to another, the next and so on in a never ending flow. Reining in this monster of desire (read greed) is the first step in man's journey of spiritual evolution. Such a controlled mind assists in doing ones duty (Karmayoga).

The mind gets purified of the negative emotions of pride and arrogance. Like a rider controlling a horse, man learns to control his mind —"Yogarudha" in Gita's words. In this way, through a structured approach, the mind reaches a steady state, a state of mental equipoise — Shama as the Gita puts it. Such a stable mind is ready for Dhyana — meditation and concentration, says the Gita.

—Mirle Karthik in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

World's youngest drone videographer

Evansville: An Indiana 8-year-old whose drone footage earned her an award at the AZDroneFest International Film Festival earned a Guinness World Record as the world's youngest drone videographer.

Louisa Royer, an Evansville Day School third-grader, brought her drone along on trips to Europe, Japan, Australia and South Korea and her teacher encouraged her to submit her footage to film festivals.

Her drone footage earned her the 2023 Best New Drone Pilot Award at the AZDroneFest International Film Festival. "It's amazing. It is really exciting and all of my friends and family are very proud of me which is a great feeling," she said of receiving her Guinness World Record certificate.

Workers pave roads without stopping traffic

Zürich: Traffic jams are a necessary evil when it comes to road maintenance and despite experts' best efforts to come up with a solution to this logistic problem, motorists still have to deal with them whenever road work is required. However, Switzerland's Federal Roads Office may have come up with an ingenious-enough solution to revolutionise road paving.

Earlier this year, the Astra Bridge, a 257-meter-long mobile bridge that allows traffic to pass over sections of road while infrastructure is being repaired below was unveiled.

Apart from preventing traffic jams and backlogs, the Astra Bridge also shields workers from the sun and rain and eliminates the need for them to work at night when road traffic is lighter.

Five offers were received from construction companies for the segment of motorway where the Astra Bridge was used, more than usual, because many companies avoid projects that require nocturnal work.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Excessive sun exposure can burn the skin. This leads to redness, irritation, and, in severe cases, peeling. adopt a no polyester-please policy and watch how it impacts your skin. Opt for lightweight, loose clothes that will keep the sweating in check. Wear light cotton clothes that feel soft on your skin and enjoy the comfort.

By Dr. Ravi S. – Consultant Dermatology & Cosmetologist
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Book release, prize distribution and interaction on May 29

Mysuru, May 26- Lekhika Sahitya Vedike, Bengaluru, has organised book release, prize distribution and interaction at Suruchi Rangamane in Kuvempunagar, Mysuru, at 10.30 am on May 29. Noted Medical practitioner and writer Dr. Veena Bharathi will inaugurate the programme. Writer and 'Sahitya Sakhi' Editor Shylaja Suresh of Bengaluru will preside.

Writer Trishala Bramhaiah's work 'Samyak Deepti,' Dr. M.R. Mandaravalli's 'Divya Chikitse - Aarogyakke Hebbagilu' and writer T.R. Usharani's 'Sakkare Mithai' will be released by former Pathology Professor and Littérateur Dr. H.A. Parshvanath, writer and 'Profit Plus' Editor Sudha Sharma Chavatti and Scholar Dr. Kabbinale Vasanth Bharadwaj respectively.

'Lekhika Book Award-2023' will be conferred on Dr. Ganesh Amingad and Dr. Geetha Sitaram. Also, winners of Vani Family Story Writing Contest will be distributed prizes — Radhika Gujjar (1st prize), Suchitra Hegde (2nd prize) and Latha Hegde (3rd prize) and Jyothi Rajesh, Neeta Rao, N. Sankar Rao and Nagaveni Shekar (consolation).

The programme will be followed by an interaction with Vasumathi Udupa in which personalities such as Dr. S. Sunanda, Triveni Mitti, Usha Narasimhan, Sahana Kantabailu, A.S. Vani, B.K. Meenakshi, K.M. Lolakshi, Suchitra Hegde, Sujatha Ravish, Vidya Shirahatti and Savitha Nagesh will take part. [Mob: 99163-78955]

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- ***Tigers can use their ears to communicate: A tigress uses the white spots on the back of her ears to communicate with her cubs. They act as a flasher to the cubs, when a tigress senses danger she flattens her ears and the cubs respond by crouching down and hiding.***

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Teacher: *Rajeev, what is an owlery?*
Rajeev: *It is a place where owls are kept.*
Teacher: *Good. Now tell me what is a Nursery?*
Rajeev: *It is a place where nurses are kept.*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 83.06
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1 Euro	= Rs. 90.11

VOICE OF THE READER

Stray dogs menace at Govt. Ayurveda Hi-Tech Hospital

Sir,

This is to bring to your attention the issue of stray dogs at the Karnataka Government Ayurveda Hi-Tech Hospital, Brindavan Extension, KRS Road, Mysuru.

Recently, I visited the hospital for treatment and was advised by Dr. Roopa L. Gowda, a senior doctor, to stay on the premises for eight days for Panchakarma treatment.

Being a local resident, I parked my two-wheeler in the hospital's parking area. The following day, I discovered that my scooter's seat cover had been completely torn and damaged. Upon questioning the security guard, I was informed that stray dogs are responsible for this damage during the night.

I observed that there are over 25-30 stray dogs in the hospital premises, particularly in the two-wheeler parking lot. These dogs not only damage vehicles but also instil fear among the hospital visitors, including senior citizens, patients, women and children.

The security guard mentioned that children, women and senior citizens are particularly afraid to visit the parking lot alone due to the threat posed by these stray dogs. He further stated that, despite his complaints to the hospital authorities and his security agency, who reportedly contacted the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), the issue remains unresolved.

I hope prompt action will be taken by the authorities concerned to address and resolve this issue to ensure the safety and security of all hospital visitors.

—Sanjeev Kumar Singh
KHB Hootagalli
19.5.2024

Monkey Business! This time with mobile phone

Mysuru, May 26 (BLU&BS)- The Kannada proverb 'Mangana Kaili Manikya' which translates to 'Ruby in a monkey's hand,' takes on a modern twist with the advent of mobile phones.

This became all too real when a monkey snatched a woman's purse containing a mobile phone and other belongings from a tourist visiting Chamundi Hill. The incident left the tourist family from Hassan in a state of suspense for half an hour as the monkey held onto the cell phone.

The family was about to climb the steps to Chamundi Hill when a monkey snatched the purse. The monkey pat climbed a tree and started dropping money and other articles in the purse, only to keep the cell phone with it.

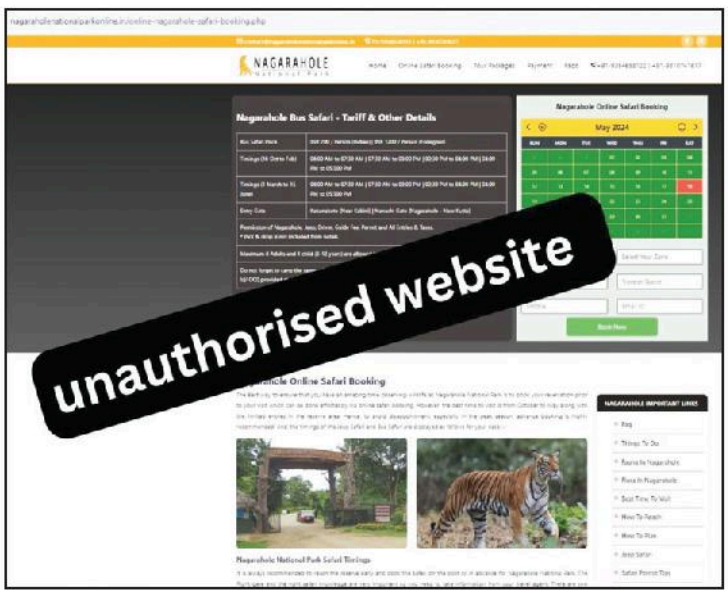
The monkey eventually dropped the purse but stubbornly clung to the cell phone, leaping from branch to branch, much to the frustration of the anxious family. Worried about the loss of a phone worth several thousand rupees, the tourist tried enticing the monkey with bananas and biscuits, to no avail. Despite attempts to lure it away, the monkey remained fixated on the phone.

In a bid to coax the monkey into releasing the device, calls were made to the cell phone, hoping the ringtone would startle it into dropping the phone. However, the curious monkey only seemed intrigued by the sound, examining the device from all angles.

After a tense 30 minutes, the monkey finally relinquished its grip on the phone, dropping it from the tree and causing damage to the screen. Despite the mishap, the relieved tourist resumed their climb up the Hill.

Tourists lose money to fake Nagarahole safari booking site

Complaint lodged with Kodagu Cyber Crime Police; New Delhi-based fraud group created website



The image of an unauthorised website released by the Nagarahole Tiger Reserve authorities.

Mysuru, May 26 (AG&BCT)- Those planning online bookings for a safari in Nagarahole Tiger Reserve, beware! There are fake websites offering bookings where fake Customer Care Executives paint a rosy picture of safari opportunities and animal sightings and take hefty payments. Once the payments are made, these fake Executives vanish without a trace.

The Nagarahole Tiger Reserve has issued a public notice warning tourists & safari enthusiasts about fake websites. Officials said these websites accept bookings in the name of Tiger Reserve, cheating people by taking payments but never offering confirmations or safari tickets.

Harshakumar Chikkanaragunda, Director, Project Tiger, Nagarahole Tiger Reserve, told *Star of Mysore* that they came across a fake website accepting payments in January 2024. "We immediately complained to the Kodagu Cyber Economic and Narcotics (CEN) Crime Police Station and the sleuths blocked the fake website and deleted it. Now, again last week, the same website has come online, cheating people," he explained.

"Beware of unauthorised websites for Nagarahole Safari Booking. For official safari bookings, please use the official website: ***https://nagaraholetigerreserve.com***. Stay safe & ensure your bookings are legitimate," reads a post from the 'X' handle of Nagarahole Tiger Reserve.

Those booking through these fraudulent websites will eventually lose money. Once payments are made, the fake websites neither send confirmation messages nor issue tickets. If the 'Customer Care' number listed on the websites is contacted, there will be no response or the phone number is fake, the Director said.

The fraudsters have created a genuine-looking website for the Tiger Reserve. The unsuspecting user is induced to pay online and once the payment is done, the customer either never receives confirmation messages or the safari, though the amount is deducted from the person's debit or credit card. He added that on cancellation or non-confirmation, tourists are not receiving any proper support from such entities.

"The Police have informed us that almost all the famous tiger reserves with frequent big cat sightings are victims of this fake website menace. We have information that fraudsters are operating from New Delhi and an investigation is ongoing. Always visit the genuine website and do due diligence before making any financial transaction," he said.

In 2023, 1.2 lakh visitors took the safari at Nagarahole Tiger Reserve, and this year, we are hopeful of achieving 1.5 lakh safari visitors. Safaris are taken from Kakanakote Point, Nanachi Gate and Veeranahosahalli. A bus safari costs Rs. 610 per person, a jeep safari costs Rs. 850 per person and if a full jeep is booked, the group must pay Rs. 7,500. Timings are from 6 am to 9 am and from 3 pm to 6 pm.

Link Aadhaar-PAN before May 31

Mysuru, May 26- The Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT), Ministry of Finance, Government of India, through its circular dated 23.4.2024, has given another opportunity by extending the due date for linking of PAN and Aadhaar in the Income Tax portal before 31.5.2024.

Every person who has been allotted a Permanent Account Number (PAN) and who is eligible to obtain an Aadhaar number, shall mandatorily link their Aadhaar and PAN on payment of fee Rs. 1,000 on or before 31.5.2024. The fee payment for PAN-Aadhaar Linkage need to be made through e-Pay Tax functionality available in Income Tax portal.

The prescribed fee must be paid under Major Head 0021 and Minor Head 500 and Assessment Year (AY) should be 2025-26 using Challan ITNS 280.

If the taxpayer has made any mistake while making the payment under Minor Head 500, there is no provision for refund of wrong payments made.

Any mismatch in name, date of birth in Aadhaar and PAN, get correction done either in PAN or Aadhaar database, such that both have matching details.

If PAN-Aadhaar not linked, it will become inoperative. If inoperative:

i) the PAN holder will not be able to file IT return using the inoperative PAN; **(ii)** Pending IT returns will not be processed; **(iii)** Pending IT refunds cannot be issued; **(iv)** Pending proceedings as in the case of defective returns cannot be completed; **(v)** TCS/TDS will be deducted at a higher rate as PAN becomes inoperative. In addition to the above, the taxpayer might face difficulty at various other places like banks and other financial institutions, as PAN is one of the important KYC criterion for many of the financial transactions.

Aadhaar-PAN linking presently does not apply to any individual who is **i)** a non-resident as per the Income Tax Act, 1961; **ii)** of the age of eighty years or more and **iii)** not a citizen of India, according to N.D. Shreenivaas of Bhavani Associates.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Master health check-up camp

As part of International Day of Action for Women's Health, a free master health check-up camp for women (Breast and cervical cancer screening) will be conducted at the Master Health Check-up Centre located on 2nd Floor of JSS Hospital on M.G. Road in city on May 28 from 9.30 am to 4 pm. Sono Mammography, FNAC and Pap Smear tests will be conducted free of cost for those recommended. Women are appealed to make best use of this camp. [Ph: 0821-2335161 or 2335168 or 2335505]

ITI admission

The Government ITI at Tagadur in Nanjangud taluk has invited online applications from SSLC passed eligible students for admission to 2-year ITI course in Electrician, Electronic Mechanic and Fitter Trades. The application forms can be submitted through the website ***www.cite.karnataka.gov.in***, before June 1. For details, contact Ph: 08221-220200.

Ph.D awardee

B.S. Sharmila has been awarded Ph.D in Faculty of Electrical and Electronics Engineering Sciences by the Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU), Belagavi, for her thesis 'An Efficient Intrusion Detection System for Resource - Constrained IoT Devices Using Deep Learning Techniques.' [Guide: Dr. Rohini Nagapadma]

Obituary

S.D. Srinivasa Gowda

Mysuru, May 26- S.D. Srinivasa Gowda (78), retd. Executive Engineer and a resident of Vijayanagar here, passed away yesterday.

He leaves behind his wife, four daughters, sons-in-law, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed in city this afternoon.

Mahadevamma

Nanjangud: Mahadevamma (90), wife of late Gurusiddappa of Konanur village in the taluk, passed away this morning. She leaves behind two sons, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at her native place this evening.

Sewage water from Mysuru to Mandya raises health concerns

*The contaminated water flowing into Cauvery river from Mysuru side. Picture right shows Mandya DC **Dr. Kumara** (2nd from right) during the inspection of the spot along with the officials.*

Srirangapatna, May 26 (BS)- Even as the recent incident of a youth dying and several others falling ill due to the consumption of contaminated water at K. Salundi village in Mysuru district has triggered vast concerns, the residents of Srirangapatna were forced to consume water unfit for consumption with the local authorities turning a blind eye towards the purification process of water. However, the alert residents flagged the issue, coercing the authorities to act by stopping the water supply for now.

Cauvery (Kaveri) river, the source of drinking water supply, is contaminated at places as is evident with the water turning black emitting a pungent smell. But is no reason for Town Municipal Council (TMC) Officers to act, who continued to supply the contaminated water, ignoring the possibilities of taking a toll on people's health.

The untreated sewage reportedly flows into the river from Mysuru side along with industrial affluent and chemicals released from dyeing units through canals. The same water is pumped to meet the drinking water requirements of the residents, who have been venting their anguish on the officials and public representatives.

The river flowing around the town is pure, but the sewage water that flows from Kesare, KR Mill and Naguvanahalli is getting mixed with the river water near the Pump House at Chandagalu. The same water is supplied to the town and also nearby Ganjam by directly pumping water from the jackwell connected to the well of the river to water distribution centres.

Earlier, the contamination of water was not clearly visible due to the heavy flow of water in the river. Now, the depletion in water level in the river has brought to fore the contaminated water sources. However, the chlorinated water was supplied from the pump house at Ganjam. The residents, who noticed water stored in the container turning black emitting a bad odour, were shocked to know about the contamination and complained to Local Body officials.

Now, the water supply has been stopped from two days, depriving the residents of the town and Ganjam of water, despite the river flowing nearby, for no fault of theirs.

Mandya Deputy Commissioner (DC) Dr. Kumara visited the spot, directed the officers to write to the DC of Mysuru and officers of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) to take steps to stop the release of sewage water to river from their end.

Besides, the DC instructed the Executive Engineer of Karnataka Urban Water Supply and Drainage Board (KUWS&DB) to soon launch the works to build a check wall to prevent the sewage water from getting mixed with river water, with the funds already sanctioned to take up the work.

Mandya ZP CEO Shaikh Tanveer Asif, AEE of Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Limited (CNNL) Kishore, Tahsildar Parashuram, Chief Officer of Srirangapatna TMC M. Rajanna and Engineers of KUWS&DB and others were present.

Dengue, insect-borne diseases: DOs & DON'Ts

Mysuru, May 26 (BS)- The Department of Health and Family Welfare has announced the individual safety measures to be taken as a precaution to check the production of larvae of mosquitoes and adopt regulatory steps to prevent the possibilities of being infected with dengue fever and other insect-bone diseases.

All the water containers including water tanks, drums, barrels, air cooler and others be cleaned and washed once in a week, before refilling the containers with water. In the case of water containers like tanks and drums that cannot be emptied, they should be closed with a lid to prevent mosquitoes. The accumulation of water should be avoided in used tyres, coconut shells, tree holes, flower pots, broken bottles, littered plastic cups and bottles, but be disposed in an effective way.

Safety measures like using mosquito repellent and medicated mosquito nets should be adopted, along with wearing full-sleeve shirt to avoid mosquito bite, according to a release by the District Vector Borne Diseases Control Officer.

Cholera scare

DHO holds video conference with Health Officials

Dr. Kumaraswamy

Mysuru, May 26 (RK&DM)- In a proactive move to combat the spread of cholera and other water-borne diseases in the district, District Health Officer (DHO) Dr. P.C. Kumaraswamy conducted a video conference with taluk-level Health Officials from his office in Nazarbad yesterday.

Dr. Kumaraswamy reported that no new cases of cholera or gastroenteritis had been identified in K. Salundi village, Mysuru taluk, where a 22-year-old individual had tragically succumbed to cholera earlier this week and in surrounding areas in the past 24 hours.

However, instances of vomiting, diarrhoea and other bacterial infections are being observed across various parts of the district. Assuring readiness, Dr. Kumaraswamy affirmed that Health authorities are fully equipped to provide treatment to affected individuals.

He highlighted the preparedness of healthcare facilities including the District Hospital, K.R. Hospital, General Hospitals, Primary Health Centres (PHCs) and Community Health Centres (CHCs) to handle any emergencies.

Dr. Kumaraswamy stressed the importance of preventing water contamination and maintaining hygiene, as contaminated water remains a significant factor in the transmission of such ailments. Taluk-level health officials have received clear directives regarding measures to curb the spread of cholera and similar bacterial diseases, he added.

Pending hotel bill of PM's stay

Forest Minister vows to solve issue amicably

Eshwar Khandre

Mysuru, May 26 (MTY&BS)- State Forest, Ecology and Environment Minister Eshwar Khandre has clarified that the issue surrounding the clearance of bill of around Rs. 80 lakh towards the stay of Prime Minister Narendra Modi at Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel Mysore in April 2023 will be solved in an amicable manner.

Speaking to media in Bengaluru yesterday, Khandre said: "PM Modi had stayed at the hotel while participating in the 50 years of Project Tiger celebrations organised by National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA). However, as Model Code of Conduct was in place then due to Assembly polls, neither the State Govt. was a part of it nor the logo of the Govt. was used in the event. It was totally a NTCA event."

Explaining further, Khandre said, as it was the PM visiting the State, Forest Department Officials were involved in Local Committee constituted to take care of PM's hospitality. In reality, the NTCA had assured to bear the total expenditure of the event. While Rs. 3 crore of total Rs. 6.33 crore spent on the event has been sanctioned, the remaining Rs. 3.33 crore that includes hotel bill of around Rs. 80 lakh is pending. Despite writing several letters to NTCA and also communicating over phone, NTCA is yet to release pending amount, he noted. Efforts will be made to solve the issue in an amicable manner, the Minister added.

JSS STU and SJCE Open Day 2024

Budding engineers display novel ideas

Mysuru, May 26 (MTY&BS)- Automatic water sprinklers to douse flame during forest fire, solar wireless charging device for Electric Vehicles (EVs), thermocol aeroplane model powered by battery, battery operated bicycle for farmers and machine to clean water cans.

These are some of the inventions of budding engineers on display at the two-day Open Day event that began on Saturday. It is organised by JSS Science and Technology University (JSS STU) and Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering (SJCE), Mysuru. It is open from 10 am to 6 pm, with the last day being today and the entry is free.

The students of Environmental Engineering Department M.B. Lekhana, M. Sushmitha and Keerthi R. Gowda have devised automatic sprinklers that works on a wireless sensor. When fire erupts in the forest, the water sprinklers douse the flame on their own, with the help of technology. The technology has been successfully put to use on a pilot basis in college campus.

Another innovative idea that holds relevance is, Solar Wireless Charger that helps in recharging the battery of EVs without relying on electricity. The students of Electrical & Electronics Engineering Department Sowmya, P. Pooja, S. Keerthana, C. Sumana Sumitra have invented the device that can charge EVs on the lines of magnetic power, desisting from using the conventional method of charging the battery by fixing the plug to the socket.

Battery Operated Cycle comes in handy for farmers in transporting any articles weighing up to 100 kg. It has been built using 3 batteries & single charge keeps the cycle running for up to 60 km. The credit of designing this green friendly cycle goes to students L. Agnitej, K. Manu, G. Nesara and V. Santosh.

Industrial Production Engineering students have built a machine that can clean 20-litre water cans used to fetch water from Pure Drinking Water units. The students team included Mallikarjun, G.N. Manjunath and S. Chandan. While Prabhu, Pratham, Sudeep and Sanath, students of Electronics & Communication Engineering, have designed a Smart Helmet, that can benefit miners who work in difficult conditions. If they encounter any challenging situations, distress message will be dispatched to control unit to enable rescue operations in a jiffy.

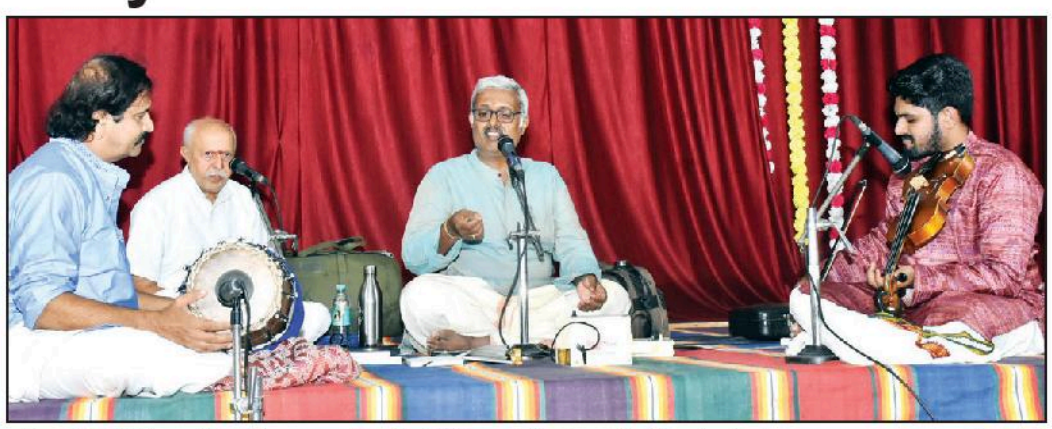
A tiny model of aeroplane built using thermocol and operated on battery support was also flown, much to the delight of curious students.

Earlier, JSS Mahavidyapeetha Executive Secretary Dr. C.G. Betsurmath inaugurated the Open Day at SJCE Statue Circle in the presence of JSS STU Vice-Chancellor Dr. A.N. Santosh Kumar, Registrar Dr. S.A. Dhanaraj and Principal Dr. C. Nataraju.

Event Conveners Dr. K.M. Anil Kumar, Dr. B.S. Mahanand, Dr. M.N. Nagendra Prasad, University officers, Heads of all Departments, staff and students from various institutions in and around Mysuru were also present.

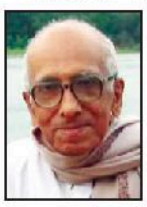
Karnataka Examination Authority (KEA) former Nodal Officer Prof. Udayashankara conducted an interactive session on CET counselling process, offering aspiring students and their parents essential information and guidance to navigate the admission process effectively.

Bhramara's Prof. G.T. Narayana Rao award conferred



Violinist Vid. Keshav Mohankumar, who was conferred with 'Prof. G.T. Narayana Rao (GTN) Award' by Bhramara Trust of Y.T. and Madhuri Thathachari, at a programme organised at Sri Krishna Gana Sabha in city yesterday, is seen with (from right) Bhramara Trust Trustee R. Jyothi, Sri Krishna Gana Sabha President B.S. Sridhara Raj Urs, Ganabharathi President Dr. Rama V. Bennur, Bhramara Trust Managing Trustee Madhuri Thathachari and Jyothi's daughter Padmashree. Picture right shows Vid. Rajagopal Bhagawat presenting a vocal concert on the occasion accompanied by Vid. Keshav Mohankumar on violin, Vid. P.S. Sreedhar on mridanga and Vid. V.S. Ramesh on morching.

Mysuru, May 26 (PM&DM)- Violinist Vid. Keshav Mohankumar was conferred the prestigious 'Prof. G.T. Narayana Rao (GTN) Award' given to outstanding young Instrumentalist of Karnataka, instituted by Bhramara Trust of Y.T. and Madhuri Thathachari, at a programme organised at Sri Krishna Gana Sabha in Gokulam 3rd Stage here yesterday.



Prof. GTN

Speaking after receiving the award, Vid. Keshav thanked Bhramara Trust for the award. "I have heard a lot about the contributions of GTN. He was a avid music lover and always patronised musicians. It is my fortune to get the award instituted in his name," he said adding that he dedicates the award to his Guru Vid. H.K. Narasimhamurthy.

Asserting that he credits Vid. Naramsimhamurthy for all the awards and prizes that he (Keshav) has bagged, Vid. Keshav said that music is a great form of art. Observing that music opens up more as we continue to learn and practice, he opined that art is much bigger than the artiste.

Ganabharathi President Dr. Rama V. Bennur, who was the chief guest on the occasion, said that GTN's memory always inspires her to do more. Pointing out that GTN was a man of great discipline, she said that while music was his breath, literature was his passion.

"GTN was a very punctual man who often took to task those who came late to programmes. He had vast knowledge of music and his literary services is well-known to everyone. He always took pride for being a Kodava," Dr. Rama Bennur said adding that he used to often tell her to thank the author for the books that she liked. She further said that GTN was an embodiment of Science, Music and Literature.

Sabha President B.S. Sridhara Raj Urs said that GTN attended most of the Sabha's programmes. Stating that he has great respect for GTN, Urs shared his experiences with the legendary personality. He also recalled that GTN used to write articles in *Star of Mysore*.

Bhramara Trust Managing Trustee Madhuri Thathachari, in her address, said that perhaps there was no one in Mysuru who does not know about GTN. Trust has instituted an annual award in his (GTN) memory, she added.

The event was followed by a vocal concert by Vid. Rajagopal Bhagawat. He was accompanied by Vid. Keshav Mohankumar on violin, Vid. P.S. Sreedhar mridanga and Vid. V.S. Ramesh on morching. Prof. GTN's son Anantavardhan, daughter-in-law Rukmini, Bhramara Trust Trustee R. Jyothi, BSS Vidyodaya Hon. Secretary R. Vasudev Bhat and others were present.

Heavy traffic gridlocks hit roads as tourists flock city

The clogged Devaraj Urs Road last evening. Photo below shows a multitude of tourists and their families thronging the Mysore Palace.

Mysuru, May 26 (SBD&BCT)- Massive traffic gridlocks occurred in the Central Business District of Mysuru city last evening due to a significant influx of tourists over the weekend, posing considerable challenges for commuters, with residents also encountering difficulties. Similar traffic jams were observed today and are expected to continue this evening.

Heavy traffic was witnessed around the Palace, D. Devaraj Urs Road, Sayyaji Rao Road, Vinoba Road, Narayan Shastri Road, Hardinge Circle, Mirza Road, Lokranjan Mahal Road, Dasara Exhibition Road in Ittigegud, Gandhi Square, Irwin Road, Ashoka Road and near the Suburban Bus Stand, JLB Road, and other central parts.

The summer vacation surge has led to a massive influx of tourists, creating significant traffic congestion throughout the city. Tourists from various parts of the State and other destinations flocked to Mysuru in their vehicles, resulting in widespread chaos.

Over the past few days, Mysuru and its surrounding areas have been experiencing widespread pre-monsoon rainfall, attracting even more visitors seeking a cool retreat. The traffic congestion began in the morning as families arrived for the weekend.

According to tourism and hospitality industry stakeholders, the rush will prevail until May 30, when schools close for summer. Schools will reopen on May 31.

The influx of cars led to traffic snarls at several locations, particularly affecting the roads around Mysore Palace, Zoo, and Jaganmohan Palace, where traffic was moving at a sluggish pace. In addition to the hundreds of private tourist vehicles, thousands of tourists arrived in KSRTC buses from various distant places, taking advantage of the free bus travel scheme.

Many tourists gathered near the Palace, where vendors selling children's toys, roasted corn, puffed rice snacks and other eateries were doing roaring business. The crowd increased significantly, with many flocking to Chamundi Hill. They stood in line for a darshan of the Goddess.

Many vehicles were parked along the roadside due to a need for more parking space. Several vehicles were also parked at the crossroads in Ittigegud. Heavy traffic near the Suburban Bus Stand's arch gate led to a traffic jam.

Vehicles were lined up on Bengaluru-Nilgiri Road, Mini Vidhana Soudha Road and Irwin Road. Passengers of KSRTC buses stuck in traffic alighted near the arch gate instead of the suburban bus stand.

Traffic police personnel were deployed at busy junctions, on the Bengaluru-Nilgiri Road, Devaraj Urs Road and other major roads to manage the traffic. They controlled unruly vehicle movements. The number of vehicles travelling to Chamundi Hill increased, causing traffic congestion on Lalitha Mahal Road as well. Vehicles were lined up on the Hill and due to a lack of parking space, many were parked along the roadside.

IPL grand finale

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While KKR's skipper Shreyas Iyer has been outstanding this season, he will also rely on Andre Russell and Sunil Narine for KKR to win its third IPL title.

For SRH, this year's IPL has been a dream run, highlighted by standout performances from uncapped domestic players like Abhishek Sharma and Nitish Reddy, along with seasoned cricketers Bhuvneshwar Kumar, T. Natarajan and Jaydev Unadkat.

SRH's journey to the final has been driven by the exceptional leadership of Pat Cummins, who has already led the Australian team to victories in the ODI World Cup, the World Test Championships, and the Ashes this season.

Now, Cummins aims to add the IPL title to his achievements by steering SRH towards their second championship victory, following their 2016 triumph. For SRH to emerge victorious, key contributions will be required from Travis Head, Heinrich Klaasen, Abhishek Sharma, Nitish Reddy, and Bhuvneshwar Kumar, along with the leadership of skipper Pat Cummins.

With the IPL finale poised to be an unforgettable encounter, the question remains: Will KKR end their ten-year wait for the title, or will SRH reign supreme? Well, fans will know in just a few hours.

KKR Predicted XI

Rahmanullah Gurbaz, Sunil Narine, Shreyas Iyer (C), Venkatesh Iyer, Nitish Rana, Andre Russell, Rinku Singh, Ramandeep Singh, Mitchell Starc, Harshit Rana and Varun Chakravarthy. **Impact Player:** Vaibhav Arora/ Anukul Roy.

SRH Predicted XI

Travis Head, Abhishek Sharma, Rahul Tripathi, Aiden Markram, Heinrich Klaasen, Nitish Reddy, Abdul Samad, Shahbaz Ahmed, Pat Cummins (C), Jaydev Unadkat, Bhuvneshwar Kumar.

Impact Player: T. Natarajan

Three die in accidents

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City Police Commissioner Ramesh Banoth, DCP (Crime and Traffic) S. Janhavi and V.V. Puram Traffic Police Inspector Bhanu visited the accident spots yesterday and collected information.

The victims were identified as Saikeerthi (24) from Dharwad and Naveen Sai (23) from Andhra Pradesh. Both were Software Developers employed at L&T, Mysuru and residents of Hebbal. Around 12.30 am (early Saturday), the friends decided to go for a long drive on their bikes.

Saikeerthi rode his Bullet bike while Naveen Sai rode a Pulsar. They travelled together to the Royal Inn junction and were headed towards Unnathinagar. Saikeerthi, who was speeding ahead, took a U-turn near GRS Fantasy Park. His bike collided head-on with Naveen Sai's bike, which was coming from the wrong direction.

The impact was so severe that Naveen Sai and Saikeerthi were killed on the spot, while Saikeerthi's friend sustained serious injuries. None of them were wearing helmets, and their heads hit the road upon impact.

Saikeerthi's body was handed over to his relatives after the post-mortem and necessary legal procedures. Naveen Sai's body will be handed over after the post-mortem today, said V.V. Puram Traffic Police Inspector Bhanu. A case has been registered at V.V. Puram Traffic Police Station.

In the second accident that occurred on Friday at 11:30 pm, Hajira (32), wife of Syed Nasir and a resident of Belavatha, was killed when a KSRTC bus collided with Syed's bike. Syed, Hajira and their two-year-old child were travelling on the bike on Dandina Maramma Temple Road from Prashanth Nilaya. The road connects Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway.

Hajira fell from the bike and sustained serious injuries. She died while being shifted to a hospital. Fortunately, the child escaped unhurt, as it fell on a grassy patch, while Syed sustained minor injuries, said Narasimharaja (NR) Traffic Police Inspector Rekha Bai.

A case has been registered and investigation is on.

'Set right historical injustices to resolve inter-State water dispute'

Prof. V.K. Nataraj speaks at 'Kaveri Vivaada Ondu Aithihaasika Hinnota' book release event

RIGHT TO LEFT: *Humorist Prof. Krishnegowda, former Director of Madras Institute of Development Studies, Chennai, Prof. V.K. Nataraj, author of the book C. Chandrashekar, historian Prof. P.V. Nanjaraje Urs, retired Dy.SP J.B. Rangaswamy and publisher Abhiruchi Ganesh releasing the book 'Kaveri Vivaada Ondu Aithihaasika Hinnota' at Institution of Engineers India (IEI), Mysuru chapter, in the city this morning.*

Mysuru, May 26 (MTY&BS)- The Kannada book 'Kaveri Vivaada Ondu Aithihaasika Hinnota,' authored by retired IPS Officer C. Chandrashekar, was unveiled at the Institution of Engineers India (IEI), Mysuru Chapter on JLB Road this morning. The English version of the book 'Kaveri Dispute – A Historical Perspective' authored by Chandrashekar himself, has already been released.

Addressing the gathering, retired Director of Madras Institute of Development Studies, Chennai, Prof. V.K. Nataraj, praised the extensive research evident in the book. He emphasised that instead of assigning blame, efforts should focus on rectifying historical injustices to resolve the long-standing inter-State water dispute.

Prof. Nataraj stressed the importance of judicious water usage, especially in the face of rising environmental concerns such as pollution, drought, and natural disasters. He called for heightened efforts to conserve the environment and reduce pollution levels.

Regarding previous incidents of violence during farmer movements, Prof. Nataraj advocated for preventive measures to prevent the hijacking of such movements. He stressed that the violence in these instances was not orchestrated by the farmers themselves, highlighting the need for understanding and addressing the root causes of such conflicts.

The Kaveri (Cauvery) families, representing farmers from Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, and Puducherry, should seek out-of-court solutions to the water dispute. In today's scenario, legal recourse is often sought for various issues, including hosting cricket matches, which may not always lead to effective resolutions.

"Judges may face challenges in resolving these matters due to their technical and social complexities. Therefore, farmer leaders from both states should come together to find an amicable solution to the water dispute," suggested Prof. Nataraj.

Humorist Prof. Krishnegowda remarked, "While rivers in the northern part of the country flow year-round, those in the south rely heavily on rainfall. Among them, the Kaveri (Cauvery) holds a divine status, yet ego-driven disputes persist for political gains. Additionally, the river's flow from Karnataka to Tamil Nadu has fueled the ongoing dispute."

Author of the book, C. Chandrashekar, who also served as Police Commissioner of Mysuru City, historian Prof. P.V. Nanjaraje Urs, publisher Abhiruchi Ganesh, and others were present.

Brake Inspectors to check drink-and-drive cases now

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However, the Transport Commissioner has now issued a written directive to Brake Inspectors, instructing them to inspect and file cases against drunk drivers.

Mysuru RTO East officers informed *Star of Mysore* that in Bengaluru, squads of Brake Inspectors have been established to monitor drink-and-drive cases. "In Mysuru, this protocol will also be enforced, although it has not been implemented yet due to staffing constraints. However, numerous new Brake Inspectors have been recruited and they will collaborate with the Police in conducting roadside checks once they complete their training period," stated an officer.

"Till now, officials were busy with election duty. After the announcement of results, our officials will start inspecting drink-and-drive cases," said senior officials of the Transport Department.

In drink-and-drive incidents, there is a higher possibility of drivers creating a nuisance. They might unnecessarily argue with the officials and even manhandle them, which could lead to law and order problems.While the Police have revolvers, lathis and other security tools to protect themselves, Brake Inspectors have no such facilities. Given this, the Transport Department has decided that instead of carrying out checks separately, Brake Inspectors should conduct them alongside the Police staff. Nevertheless, equipment that helps them book cases have been supplied.

Accident data

According to the information shared by the Transport Department, the number of road accidents in Karnataka during 2022 was 35,550, with a total of 10,723 fatalities. Compared to the statistics of 2021, there was a 13 percent increase. Nationwide, in the same year, a total of 61,312 road accidents occurred, resulting in 10,68,491 deaths and 4,43,366 injuries.

"Because of the Lok Sabha elections, Brake Inspectors couldn't start drink-and-drive checks. The equipment needed has already been distributed, and they will soon start their work. Since there is a possibility of law and order problems, our Brake Inspectors will carry out the checking operation along with the Police," said C. Mallikarjuna, Additional Transport Department Commissioner (Enforcement).

Brake Inspectors unhappy

Brake Inspectors are already working in 2-3 offices due to a staff shortage and conducting drink-and-drive inspections will add additional stress and is burdensome. Many of the recently recruited Brake Inspectors are yet to receive any training, a section of Brake Inspectors said.

"After working the entire day, how can we check during the night? Additionally, the target for filing drink-and-drive cases in Bengaluru has been raised," they said.

COURT AUCTION NOTICE

The Principal Senior Civil Judge Mysuru has ordered for public auction of the Schedule Property in FDP No.8/1990 (OS 218/1982). The auction will be held on **29.05.2024** at 10.00 A.M. at the sport and the **COURT AUCTION** will be held on **31.05.2024** in the **COURT HALL** of the Principal Senior Civil Judge Mysuru. This publication is given on the orders of the Hon'ble court.

SCHEDULE

a) House premises bearing No.1724 situated at Thogari Beedi Near Mandi Market, Mandi Mohalla Mysuru measuring East to West 33 feet and North to South 77 feet bounded on the: **East by:** Property No.1723, **West by:** Cross Road, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Road

b) House premises bearing door No.678/679 New No.2941/2942 totally measuring East to West 18.0 feet and North to South 12.0 feet situated at Mandi Mohalla, Mysuru bounded on the: **East by:** Shop No.2943, **West by:** Shop No.2940, **North by:** Private Property, **South by**: Road

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Date: 25-05-2024

Tiger mauls woman to death in H.D. Kote

Mysuru, May 26 (MTY&VNS)- Forest Department officials and villagers this morning discovered the body of a woman shepherd who had gone missing after a tiger attack in the Murband Hill area of H.D. Kote taluk yesterday.

Chikki

The victim, identified as Chikki (45) from Malada Haadi in N. Begur, was grazing goats near the hill with another woman from the village when the incident occurred.

According to forest officials, the companion informed villagers about the tiger attack, prompting a search operation. During the search, villagers found Chikki's severed leg near a watcher tower, but darkness halted further efforts.

The search resumed this morning, leading to the discovery of Chikki's body a short distance from the watcher tower in the N. Begur Forest Area. Antharasanthe Police visited the scene, conducted a mahazar and initiated a case.

Chikki's remains were shifted to H.D. Taluk Hospital for post-mortem examination. Police and forest officials are stationed in the village to engage in discussions with residents about the incident.

Sandalwood tree stolen

Mysuru, May 26 (RK&VNS)- Miscreants have allegedly chopped and have made away with a fully grown sandalwood tree at B.C. Lingaiah Park in Gokulam. The incident came to light when the morning walkers noticed and informed Police, this morning.

Following information, the VV Puram Police Inspector Vivekananda visited the spot and summoned the Forest sleuths. Later, a case was registered after conducting an inspection.

The Police have also collected the CCTV footages for further investigation.

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Over a cup of evening Tea

By Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem, MD

Let's ease the pressure on our children, now!

Not all children are capable of replicating the abilities of their classmates, because they come with vastly differing aptitudes and capabilities. I wonder how much more distressing the situation should become before we realise that life is not only about chasing goals and getting helplessly lost in the process...

Just a few days ago, we all read in our newspapers a very disturbing report about a young boy, who was preparing to crack the NEET examination, to enter medical college, and who walked away from the grind, unable to bear the pressure anymore.

Yes, the nineteen-year-old boy, whose ambitious parents had perhaps set high goals for him and who had got him enrolled into a coaching centre at Kota in Rajasthan, decided to just walk away from every one he knew, including his parents and every one of his life's goals and simply lose himself, into the distant horizon.

After the examination, he had assured his family that it had gone well and he had answered 160 questions. However, the next day, he sent a message to his brother on WhatsApp, saying that he did not wish to study any further and was going away and that he would return home after five years.

"I am leaving home. I do not want to study further. I have at least Rs. 8,000, and I am leaving home for 5 years. I am selling off my phone and destroying the SIM card. Tell mother not to worry. I will not take any wrong step. I have everyone's numbers. If needed, I will call you anytime but I will definitely call you once a year," the boy's message said.

The desperate feeling of helplessness and the pointlessness of just pursuing ambition blindly, while losing out on the other joys that life has to offer us, comes across so poignantly and painfully from this boy's message.

And, if we come to think of it, there certainly will be thousands of similar young boys and girls, across all our homes, who would be harbouring sentiments exactly like his and whose pain we may not be aware of or sadly still, even unwilling to acknowledge and address.

There is a great need for much introspection and analysis here. Irrespective of how lofty our own dreams are for our children and how impressed we are with the achievements and accomplishments of the children of our friends or relatives, we as parents of our own children should come to terms with reality.

We should understand that not all children are capable of replicating the abilities of their classmates, because they come with vastly differing aptitudes and capabilities.

The most reassuring thing that becomes obvious here, if only we are willing to look for it, is that while some children can excel in academics, even the not so studious ones have in them some very amazing talents and admirable qualities.

And these qualities can be as commendable as unusual honesty, helpfulness, humility and a sensitivity to the feelings of others. And, these too are all qualities that are just as worthy of being recognised and valued like academic excellence, which alone unfortunately has become the yardstick by which we measure success today.

And, because we do this, we have come to a stage where we blindly put our children through some very gruelling rigours of cracking entrance examinations, that we believe are the only portals to a good life. This is where the fault lies.

As most of us have come to know by now, Kota has become the 'entrance portal town' for coaching aspiring candidates for almost every kind of entrance examination.

But in the process, it has transformed itself from being famous to notorious, simply because of the high incidence of suicides that we have been seeing there among the thousands of students who go there, or are sent there, to chase their dreams.

We are told that the situation there has become so alarming that most facilities that house students there, have completely done away with ceiling fans, despite the hot weather of that region, just to prevent students from hanging themselves in sheer desperation and depression!

I wonder how much more disgusting and distressing the situation should become before we realise that life is not only about chasing goals and getting helplessly lost in the process!

Healing the Highway!

The rather surprising news that more than twelve thousand drivers have been penalised for over speeding, in just fifteen days, after speed cameras were installed on Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway, only goes to show that no amount of pleading or appealing to the good sense of citizens helps in instilling a sense of civic responsibility into them.

Till this was done, all the horrendous accidents that happened, all the precious lives that were lost and all the anguish we saw all along, on what was meant to be a road to safety, ease and comfort, could not cure us of our craze for speed and our disregard for our own safety and the safety of others.

There's no denying that we seem to be nation of recalcitrant and unrepentant people, who can follow rules only under the eye of the law and only under the threat of heavy penalties.

We understand no other language and therefore the law enforcement authorities would do well to continue their surveillance as a constant feature, in the days to come.

Who knows, in the very long time that it takes for us to learn to obey the law, the entire cost of building our highway to happiness, may be completely recovered by way of fines, thus paving the ground to making it a completely toll-free road. **That would indeed be some real happiness!**

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IGU West Bengal Ladies Golf Championship

City's Vidhatri Urs emerges victorious

Vidhartri Urs posing with IGU West Bengal Ladies Golf Championship trophy.

Mysuru, May 26 (VNS)- Continuing her winning streak, city's Vidhatri K. Urs has won the Indian Golf Union (IGU) West Bengal Ladies Golf Championship-2024 held at the prestigious Royal Calcutta Golf Club in Kolkata on Friday.

Vidhatri demonstrated exceptional skill and consistency, shooting a remarkable 3-under-par 213 across three rounds (70, 74 and 69). Her performance secured her the top spot, setting her apart as a formidable player.

Jahnavi Prakhya of Gujarat finished runner-up in Ladies division. Despite a challenging start with a round of 82, Prakhya made a strong comeback with subsequent rounds of 72 and 71, finishing with a total score of 225.

Vidhatri had won the Western India Ladies and Junior Girls Golf Championship held at Ahmedabad recently. Currently she is ranked No.1 in the country in IGU Amateur Ladies Merit list.

Schools must reopen on May 31: Mysuru DDPI clears air

May 29: Cleaning purposes; May 30: Meeting of parents & teachers; May 31: Welcoming students

Mysuru, May 26 (RK&KS)- With many schools in the city reopening on May 22 and some yet to reopen, leading to confusion among parents and students about the exact date, Deputy Director of Public Instruction (DDPI), Mysuru, H.K. Pandu has clarified that all schools — Government, Government Aided and Unaided — will officially reopen on May 31.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, DDPI Pandu stated that all schools should prepare to welcome students on May 29 and 30 and should officially reopen on May 31.

The DDPI outlined that all schools should open on May 29 to clean the premises, water sumps and overhead water tanks, prepare the time-table and allocate subjects and classes to the teachers.

On May 30, a meeting between school heads, teachers and parents (excluding elected representatives due to the Model Code of Conduct being in force) should be held. On May 31, schools should reopen, welcoming students by decorating the schools and greeting them with a rose.

DDPI Pandu noted that there are 3,446 schools in the district (1,027 primary schools, 1,651 middle schools, and 768 high schools) and plans are in place to increase admissions in these schools.

He added that a directive has been sent to all teachers through the concerned Block Education Officers (BEOs) to increase admissions by at least one student, aiming for an overall increase of 3,446 students this year.

A good lifestyle will lead to long life: Dr. C.D. Srinivasmurthy

Senior Physician and Cardiologist Dr. C.D. Srinivasmurthy delivering a special lecture at Kamakshi Hospital in city yesterday, as Founder-Editor of Star of Mysore and Mysuru Mithra K.B. Ganapathy, Kamakshi Hospital senior surgeon Dr. C.G. Narasimhan, Managing Trustee Mahesh Shenoy, Administrative Officer Dr. K.R. Kamath, Paediatrician Dr. Kumar and others look on.

Mysuru, May 26 (MK&DM)- Senior Doctor of the city's Kamakshi Hospital Dr. C.D. Srinivasmurthy said that a good lifestyle holds key to a longer life.

He was delivering a special lecture on the topic 'Aging and Long life' at Kamakshi Hospital auditorium in Saraswathipuram here yesterday.

Pointing out it is natural for a human being to get aged, Dr. Srinivasmurthy, referring to acclaimed poet Dr. DVG's famous quote 'Gouravisu Jeevanava, Gouravisu Chetanava', stressed that a healthy lifestyle may lead to a longer life.

"Aging is a natural process. The human life span in the country was low in the 1920's. But now, thanks to the advancements in medical field and the discoveries in Science and Technology, the average life span of a human being has now risen to 72 years. People in advanced countries such as China and Japan will lead a life of more than 100 years. This is because of the healthy lifestyle that the people have adopted there", he said.

Underlining the importance of giving prominence to health as one ages, Dr. C.D. Srinivasmurthy said that people may slip into depression if they repeatedly take ill due to poor health. Maintaining that a healthy lifestyle will result in good functioning of the organs even in older days, he opined that yoga, physical exercises, consumption of nutritious food etc., is key for maintaining a good health.

Advising the aged to have food that has lesser calories, he said that doing light exercises including a 20 to 30-minute walk daily will largely help in maintaining a good health. "The focus must be on consumption of less salt and sugar. Fibrous foods such as greens and vegetables should be the menu of aged persons. Also, consumption of at least 2 litres of water daily is important, he said adding that apart from fibrous food, protein rich food too should be consumed for a healthy and long life.

Continuing, Dr. Srinivasmurthy said that the distancing of parents is surely going to make an impact on children. Asserting that the aged should not feel lonely, he said that loneliness may lead to depression and other mental disorders with age factoring in.

Observing that the aged will feel better if they live along with their younger family members in accordance with the country's traditions of undivided family concept, he said engaging in activities like gardening, music and the like, will certainly help the aged in getting over anxiety, apprehensions and uncertainty.

Underlining the importance of fasting for at least one day in a week as it would help in maintaining good health, he called upon the aged to make sure that they stay free from illness and ailments. He also asked the people to experience and enjoy the spirit of life and maintain a healthy life style for a longer, happy and enthusiastic life.

Star of Mysore and *Mysuru Mithra* Founder-Editor Dr. K.B. Ganapathy, Kamakshi Hospital senior surgeon Dr. C.G. Narasimhan, Managing Trustee Mahesh Shenoy, Administrative Officer Dr. K.R. Kamath, Urologist Dr. Prakash K. Prabhu and Paediatrician Dr. Kumar were present.

CM, Dy.CM visit Dharmasthala

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar accompanied by their Cabinet colleagues K. Venkatesh and Bhyrathi Suresh visited Shri Kshetra Dharmasthala yesterday afternoon. Also seen in the picture is former Minister K. Abhayachandra Jain. After visiting Sri Manjunatheshwara Temple, both Siddaramaiah and D.K. Shivakumar called on Dharmasthala Dharmadhikari Dr. D. Veerendra Heggade.

Kumbabhisheka: Ganapathy Seer prays for bountiful rains

Mysuru, May 26 (BS)- Avadhoota Datta Peetham's Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji prayed for prosperity of the country with timely rain and crop, getting rid of difficulties, anger and jealousy towards others.

Delivering a discourse during the *Kumbabhisheka* organised as part of 25th anniversary celebrations of Sri Datta Venkateshwara Kshetra and Brahmotsava here recently, Swamiji said "I pray Lord Venkataramana to bless the people and public representatives with peace and redress the grievances of the needy."

There is an increase in angst among people. One should worship Venkataramana, the God of Kaliyuga and even the poor shall become richer with a bounty of happiness, wealth and peace by worshipping the Lord.

Earlier, pradhana yaga was conducted at Vajrotsava Yaga Mantapa and Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji and Junior Pontiff of Avadhoota Datta Peetham Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji took part in the *homa* and offered *poornahuti*.

Both the Seers performed the ritual of *Kumbabhisheka* to the shikara of the temple on the top, with water brought from various rivers, under the supervision of pundits. It was followed by the ritual of *Brahma Kalasha Abhisheka* and *Puja* to the idols.

Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji's 82nd birthday

Specially-abled given necessary equipment

Mysuru, May 26 (MTY&TRR)- As a part of the 82nd birthday celebrations of Sri Avadhoota Datta Peetham Pontiff Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji, necessary equipment was given to specially-abled persons at a function held at Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram's Nada Mantap on Nanjangud Road in city, yesterday.

Sri Ganapathy Swamiji distributed 82 equipment including 40 wheelchairs, 8 walkers, 10 crutches and 5 sticks to the specially-abled persons.

Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji said that it is a sacred job to do anything for the welfare of the specially-abled. May God enable the parents of the specially-abled persons to take proper care of their children. God bless the specially-abled children with good health and happiness. May God bless everyone," said the Swamiji in his address.

Several rituals like *Sri Chakra puja* and *homas* were performed at Datta Peetham to mark the 26th anniversary of Nada Mantap and the 82nd birthday celebrations of Sri Ganapathy Swamiji.

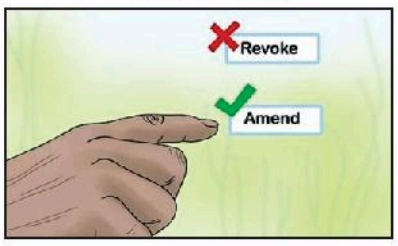
Later, *pujas* were offered to all the idols at the Ashram's premises including that of Goddess Sri Rajarajeshwari Devi. Swamiji also participated in the *homa* performed in the precincts of God Sri Hari temple.

Earlier volunteers of Datta Human Services presented a Guard of Honour to Sri Ganapathy Swamiji. Ritual Shanti Kalyana of Sri Datta Venkateshwara Swamy was performed for the welfare of mankind.

Junior Pontiff of Avadhoota Datta Peetham Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji was also present.

WORD OF THE DAY

Countermand



Pronunciation: KOUNT-er-mand (Verb)
Meaning: To countermand an order is to revoke it, especially by giving a new order.
Origin: In the military, one's mandate is to follow the commands (and sometimes the countermands) of the officers. Doing their bidding is not particularly commendable—it's simply mandatory. The Latin verb mandare, meaning "to entrust" or "to order," is the authority behind countermand. It's also behind the words mandate, command, demand, commend (which can mean "to entrust" as well as "to praise"), and mandatory. Countermand came to English via Anglo French, where the prefix cuntre- ("against") was combined with the verb mander ("to command"). It has been a part of English since the 1400s.
Example: "He [rugby player Lewis Jones] almost missed his 1950 Welsh debut as he was about to board an aircraft carrier for Hong Kong before the orders were countermanded." — The Daily Telegraph (London), 9 Mar. 2024

THE ODD WORD

Borborygmus

The sound your stomach makes when you are hungry.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

For the Fun of It

Meaning: 'For the Fun of It' means just for entertainment value of doing it.
Origin: The phrase 'For the fun of it' has its origin in the Old English words 'fonne' and 'fonnen', which preceded the 17th century English word 'fon'. The way in which the phrase is used demonstrates the elusive nature of fun itself — something experiential, inherently pleasant, and typically far from routine.
Example: "We went on a picnic just for the fun of it."

QUOTE BOX

Champions keep playing until they get it right. **— Billie Jean King**

RIDDLE THIS

What type of cheese is made backward?

Answer: Edam.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 The earth's satellite
5 Partly open
9 Closest Point of Approach
12 A small toboggan
13 "Agin" cocktail get you the girl!
14 31-day mo.
15 Cannot be regained or rectified
18 Rhone River feeder
19 Female sheep
20 Some promos
22 Breathing sounds
26 Turns down
30 Singer Simone
31 Vada ___ : Mumbai's favourite snack
32 Cleans by using a cloth
34 Relatives, family
35 Supplanted - "deek" anagram?
37 Atop a horse
39 Repeat of, say, a film
41 And not either ?
42 Small, round green vegetables
45 Capital of Morocco
49 Inclined to believe in omens and charms
53 Believer: suffix
54 Small medicine bottle
55 Zhivago's lover
56 Iffy sched. letters
57 Pull - the American way?
58 Heavenly body

DOWN

1 1052 in Roman numerals
2 It belongs to us - and turns "sour"?
3 Mythical monster
4 Olympic gold medallist ___ Chopra
5 In the past
6 Swing music
7 Afresh or again
8 Not as common
9 Taxi in the US
10 Something to spend in Kabul?
11 Period of human life
16 Yielded
17 __ __ example : e.g.? (2,2)
21 Floating impurities
23 Similar to, matching
24 Dine" anagram for a girl's name?
25 ___ Angelo : city in Western Texas?
26 Gardening implement
27 At all times
28 Tech. Std. Order
29 Knock unconscious
31 For each
33 Nasal sound
36 Person easily deceived
38 Drags behind
40 Tense or edgy
43 A large continent
44 Oliver Hardy's partner ___ Laurel
46 Ship, vessel or craft
47 Atmosphere, air or emanation
48 An old Russian ruler
49 Take a chair
50 Computer port
51 Parents' org.
52 Of that ___ : of that genre or class?

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

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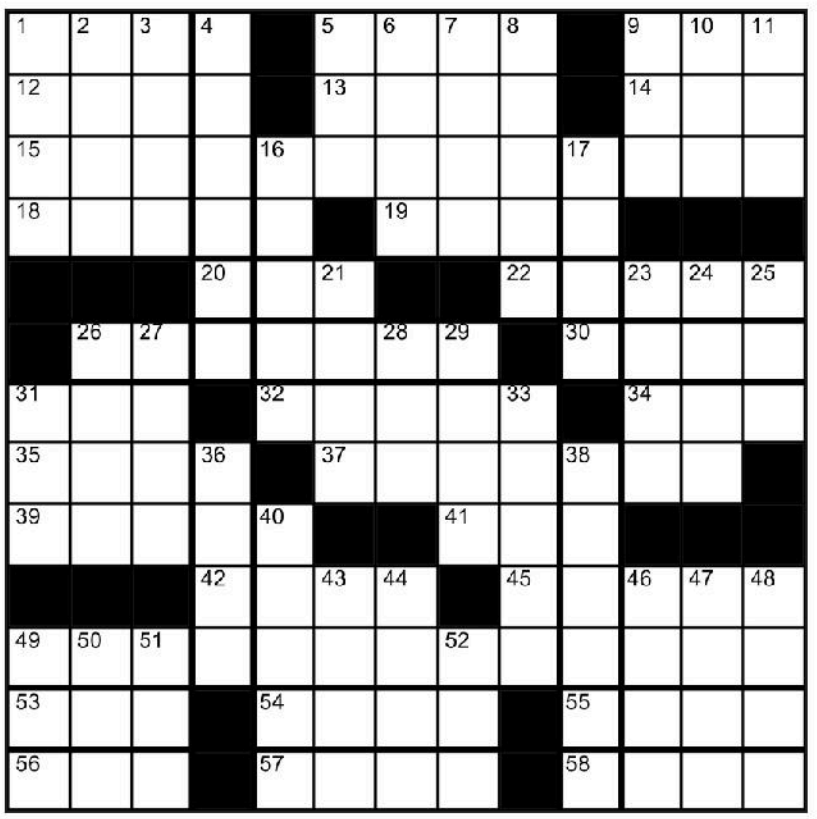

SUDOKU

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		7	9		6	3		
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	6				4		5	

Answer to previous puzzle

2	9	4	8	5	6	3	1	7
3	8	5	2	1	7	6	4	9
1	7	6	3	9	4	8	5	2
8	6	9	5	2	1	4	7	3
7	2	1	6	4	3	5	9	8
4	5	3	7	8	9	2	6	1
6	1	7	4	3	2	9	8	5
5	4	2	9	7	8	1	3	6
9	3	8	1	6	5	7	2	4

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

B DHZCX UHK FPPHEX FCC YAJ YABUQO B UJNJE

AFX FO F RBX, BP B XBXU'Y AFNJ RBXO.

TODAY'S CLUE: U EQUALS N

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Thank god men cannot as yet fly and lay waste the sky as well as the earth.

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NOW SHOWING - SINGLE SCREEN THEATRES

Mahadeshwara Theatre — **Mob: 99008-20093**
Matinee (K) - 4 Shows

Lido Theatre — **Ph: 2420885**
Anjaniputra (K) - 4 Shows

Gayathri Theatre — **Ph: 2443568**
The Judgement (K) - 4 Shows

Sangam Theatre — **Ph: 2520494**
Moorane Krishnappa (K) - 4 Shows

Prabha Theatre — **Mob: 98454-14691**
A (1998) (K) - 4 Shows

Padma Theatre — **Ph: 2521923**
Lio (Ta) - 4 Shows

Rajkamal Theatre — **Ph: 2423554**
Furiosa: A Mad Max Saga (E) - 4 Shows

Thibbadevi Theatre — **Ph: 2452958**
Tribhuja (K) - 1 Show; *Krishna Nee Begane Baro (K)* - 3 Shows

Woodlands Theatre — **Ph: 2422871**
Turbo (Ma) - 4 Shows

Balaji Theatre — **Mob: 9886325207**
Crew (H) - 4 Shows

DRC CINEMAS — Ph: 4240422, 4241800

Furiosa: A Mad Max Saga (E)	(S-1)	10.15 am, 4.05 pm
		7 pm, 9.55 pm
Moorane Krishnappa (K)	(S-1)	1.10 pm
Ramana Avatara (K)	(S-2)	10.30 am
Bhaiyya Ji (H)	(S-2)	1.35 pm, 4.25 pm
Thalavan (Ma)	(S-2)	7.15 pm, 10 pm
The Judgement (K)	(S-3)	10.20 am, 4.05 pm, 7.05 pm
PT Sir (Ta)	(S-3)	1.20 pm
Guruvayur Ambalanadayil (Ma)	(S-3)	10.05 pm
Turbo (Ma)	(S-4)	10.10 am, 4 pm
		7 pm, 10 pm
Garifield Movie (E-3D)	(S-4)	1.50 pm

MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Evidence (K)	(S-1)	11.15 am
Aranmanai 4 (Ta)	(S-1)	1.15 pm
Turbo (Ma)	(S-1)	4.00 pm
	(S-2)	1.05 pm, 6.50 pm, 9.45 pm
Moorane Krishnappa (K)	(S-1)	6.40 pm
The Judgement (K)	(S-1)	9.30 pm
	(S-3)	10.40 am, 3.55 pm
Furiosa: A Mad Max Saga (E)	(S-2)	10.20 am, 4.05 pm
	(S-3)	6.45 pm, 9.30 pm
3Devi (K)	(S-3)	1.30 pm

PVR CINEMAS — 4K Dolby 7.1

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Furiosa: A Mad Max Saga (E)	:	9.30 am, 12.45 pm, 4 pm
		7.15 pm, 10.30 pm
Furiosa: A Mad Max Saga (H)	:	11.40 am, 9.40 pm
The Judgement (K)	:	11.55 am, 6.05 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	12.15 pm
Turbo (Ma)	:	12.15 pm, 3.30 pm
		6.45 pm, 10 pm
PT Sir (Ta)	:	12.20 pm, 3.10 pm, 6.10 pm
3Devi (K)	:	12.50 pm
Moorane Krishnappa (K)	:	3.05 pm
Guruvayoorambala Nadayil (Ma)	:	3.35 pm, 9.30 pm
Tamasha (H)	:	6.15 pm
Thalavan (Ma)	:	6.30 pm
The Garfield Movie (E)	:	9.00 pm
Duniyadari (Ma)	:	9.15 pm

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Turbo (Ma)	:	11.45 am, 3 pm, 6.15 pm, 9 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	11.50 am
Moorane Krishnappa (K)	:	11.55 am
Furiosa: A Mad Max Saga (E)	:	12 noon, 3.15 pm, 6.30 pm, 9.45 pm
Love Me If You Dare (Te)	:	12.25 pm, 6.15 pm
The Judgement (K)	:	2.55 pm
PT Sir (Ta)	:	3.25 pm, 9.15 pm
Guruvayoorambala Nadayil (Ma)	:	6.05 pm, 9.30 pm

EVENTS TODAY (MAY 26)

- **Rangavahini, Chamarajanagar, Nele Hinnela, Mysuru and Rama Manohara Lohiya Trust, Mysuru:** 12th State-level 'Mullur Nagaraja Kavya Prashasti' Presentation Ceremony (Awardee - Poet M. Javaraj of T. Narasipur) and Rajashekar Koti Memorial Programme, Karnataka Sahitya Academy-Bengaluru President-designate Dr. L.N. Mukundraj inaugurates, retd. Conservator of Forests Dr. R. Raju presides, **5.30 pm;** Staging of play 'Mrs. Ambedkar' by Samsa Theatre, Rangadharma, Bengaluru, directed by Tiptur Pradeep, RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **7 pm.**
- **Bharatiya Vidyarthi Sangha (BVS), Mysuru:** Buddha Fest-2024, releasing of 'Dhamma Lahari' audio, 'Jambe Jalak' by Balu Jambe & team, Buddha Vihara, Ashoka Circle (Ballal Circle), **5.30 pm.**
- **Sri Avadhoota Datta Peetham - Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram:** 82nd Birthday of Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji and 26th Anniversary of Nada Mantapa, Hanumad Vaahanotsava and Pallaki Utsava, Ashram premises, Dattanagar, Nanjangud Road, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Srinivasaswamy Temple, Tilak Nagar:** Annual Festival, Ankurarpane, Temple premises, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru:** Swami Sarvajayanandaji speaks on 'Sri Ramakrishna Charite,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Swarasankula Sangeetha Sabha, Mysuru:** Grand Hindustani Classical Vocal Concert by Vidu. Shreemathi Devi, accompanied by Pt. Sagar Bharathraj on tabla and Pt. Prasad Kamath on harmonium (the concert is in memory of art patron 'Kalaseva Ratna' late K.V. Murthy), Ganabharathi's Veene Seshanna Bhavana, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Krishna Seva Samithi Charitable Trust:** Dance programme by students of Jois Kala Pratishtana, directed by Namratha Jois, Sri Krishna Gana Sabha, Gokulam, **6.30 pm.**
- **Arivu Nature Resource Centre and Mysore Nature:** Talk on 'Glimpse into the rare birds of India' by Samanvitha S. Rao, Arivu School, Lingambudhi palya, Srirampura, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (MAY 27)

- **Centre for AAC & Sign Language, All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), Mysuru and Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC), New Delhi:** Inauguration of 5-day National Training Programme on Basic Indian Sign Language, journalist Rashmi Koti chief guest, AIISH Director Prof. M. Pushpavathi presides, Seminar Hall, Academic Block, AIISH, **9.30 am.**
- **Ramsons Handicrafts:** 10th edition of Kreedaa Kaushalya, an exhibition of traditional board games of India, Ramsons Handicrafts emporium, opposite Mysuru Zoo, **10 am to 7 pm.**
- **Maharani's Arts College for Women, JLB Road:** Valedictory of Cultural Forum 2023-24, folk singer Dr. M. Mahadevaswamy, Malavalli, delivers valedictory address, actor Dharmanna Kadur chief guest, College Principal Dr. B.V. Vasanthakumar presides, Sri Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar Vedike, College premises, **10.30 am.**
- **Bharani Art Gallery:** 30th Anniversary Celebrations, an exhibition of water colour paintings 'Nisarga Lalithya' by well-known artist H.P. Rangaswamy of Mysuru, Gallery premises, Vivekanandanagar, **11 am to 7 pm.**
- **Ursu Geleyara Balaga Pratishtana:** Farewell to Sub-Post Master H.N. Gurunanjappa, former Chairperson of Kanteerava Studio Vijayalakshmi Urs inaugurates, Mysuru District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal presides, H.D. Kote Ursu Sangha President HMT Lingaraje Urs felicitates H.N. Gurunanjappa, Pratishtana auditorium, Rajiv Nagar, **11 am.**
- **Sri Srinivasaswamy Temple, Tilak Nagar:** Annual Festival, Abhisheka, **9 am;** Rakshabandhana, Kalyanotsava, Temple premises, **6 pm.**

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The Judgement (K)	:	10.10 am, 4.10 pm
Furiosa: A Mad Max Saga (E)	:	10.50 am, 12 noon, 3.15 pm
		6.30 pm, 9.45 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	11.20 am
Turbo (Ma)	:	1.00 pm, 4.10 pm, 7.20 pm
Rockstar (H)	:	2.05 pm
Moorane Krishnappa (K)	:	5.50 pm
Ramana Avatara (K)	:	9 pm
Srikanth (H)	:	10.10 pm
Guruvayoorambala Nadayil (Ma)	:	10.30 pm

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		7.05 pm, 10.30 pm
PT Sir (Ta)	:	10.10 am, 4.15 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	11.50 am
The Judgement (K)	:	12.20 pm, 6.40 pm
3Devi (K)	:	12.30 pm
Love Me If You Dare (Te)	:	1.15 pm, 7.30 pm
Turbo (Ma)	:	3.15 pm, 10.20 pm
Moorane Krishnappa (K)	:	3.30 pm
Manjummel Boys (Ma)	:	6.25 pm
Thalavan (Ma)	:	9.20 pm
Guruvayoorambala Nadayil (Ma)	:	9.50 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15.

Pratibha Puraskar

Mysuru, May 26- Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysuru Centre, has invited applications from the children of construction workers who have scored 75% and above marks in the 10th standard and 2nd PUC examinations (2024) to present 'Pratibha Puraskar.'

The eligible children of construction workers may send their application, along with a copy of marks card, passport size photograph, Labour Card / Letter from the Employer, correspondence address along with contact phone number to Builders' Association of India, Mysuru Centre, No. 34/D, Akkamahadevi Road, Vishweshwaranagar, 2nd Stage, Industrial Suburb, Mysuru - 570008.

Last date to apply is July 1. The 'Pratibha Puraskar' presentation ceremony will be held at Mysore Builders' Charitable Trust (MBCT) auditorium in Vishweshwaranagar on July 12.

For further details, contact Ph: 0821-2483333 or 93421-87576 or 94483-72294.

City skaters excel

Seen are** (from left) **L. Mihal, Aarav Kiran and G. Vijay.

Mysuru, May 26- The following skaters of Mysuru have excelled in the 6th National Roller Skating Ranking Championship held in Goa from May 16 to 19:

L. Mihal - 5 to 7 age group - Inline Category - 1 Bronze Medal; **Aarav Kiran** - 7 to 9 Age group Inline Category - 3 Gold Medals; **G. Vijay** - Above 17 Age group - Quad Category - 1 Bronze Medal. They were trained by Adithya S. Rao and Uma MG at Elite Roller Skating Academy, Mysuru.

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